

**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**  
**POLREP#2 and FINAL**

**I. HEADING**

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To: RRC Region 4  
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MDEQ

Subject: Isidore Oil Drums  
Harrison and Hancock Counties, MS

**II. BACKGROUND**

FPN:	E02419
EPA Site ID:	N/A
Response Authority:	Clean Water Act §311
Removal Funding Authority:	OPA 90
State Notification:	MSDEQ
Date OSLTF Opened:	30SEP02
Mob Date:	26SEP02
Current Project Ceiling:	\$20,000.00
Completion Date:	27SEP02
Incident Category:	Activities at this site are pursuant to Section 311(c) Federal Water Pollution Control Act (FWPCA), as amended by the Clean Water Act §311, and in accordance with the National Contingency Plan (NCP).

**III. SITE INFORMATION and CONDITIONS**

A. Site Description and Physical Location

This incident involved identification, containment, staging, sampling, transporting, and disposing of the oil found in numerous drums discovered washed up onto public property due to the flooding from tropical storm Isidore. The drums were along both coastal and inland portions of Harrison and Hancock Counties, Mississippi. SOSC Ken Whitten contacted both EPA and USCG regarding the discovery. OSC Jardine coordinated with Pat Cuty, Chief, Pollution Response, MSO New Orleans, regarding EPA directing the recovery of all containers (inland and coastal). The oil potentially discharging from all drums would have impacted the Gulf of Mexico.

B. Description of Threat

Approximately 14 drums were found along the shoreline of the Gulf of Mexico and tributaries leading to Gulf waters. The contents of each drum varied in volume, collectively totaling an estimated 500 gallons of oil. The route to the waters of the U.S. was overland or direct discharge. The greatest overland distance approximately 1000 feet.

C. Previous Site Actions

There was no previous action at this site.

**IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION**

A. Current Situation

MSDEQ, with contract personnel, have completed all response actions including disposal/recycling of the oil.

A. Enforcement

The drums were not marked to identify any responsible party(ies). No information exists regarding the source of any containers.

C. Next Steps

No other specific action planned.

**V. ESTIMATED PROJECT COST INFORMATION**

PRFA . . . . . \$14,000.00

EPA . . . . . \$0